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MISCELLANEOUS ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on September 3, 2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The rejection of claim 13, line 6[✓] does not appear to have been fully addressed and applicant's intentions with respect to this claim are unclear. It is respectfully submitted that "said cutting table" in line 3 now lacks antecedent basis, and it is not clear whether applicant intended to insert --a cutting table-- after the preamble. (It is also noted that in claim 1, line 3[✓], "cutting table" is misspelled and also it seems that --a-- should be inserted before "cutting" for clarity.) To expedite matters, applicant may send the response to this communication by fax to the number for formal papers listed below. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Clark Dexter whose telephone number is (703) 308-1404. The examiner's typical work schedule is Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and he can be reached during normal business hours on these days.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Allan Shoap, can be reached at (703)308-1082.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703)308-1148. The fax numbers for this group are: formal papers - (703)305-3590; informal/draft papers - (703)305-9835.



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